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MUSIC AND DRAMA.

William and Thomas Jefferson will revive "The Henrietta" next season.

Maudie Fealy has concluded her engagement with a stock company in Winnipeg, Manitoba.

Henri G. Scott, the American basso, has been engaged to sing at the Manhattan opera house for five years.

An adaptation of Oscar Wilde's "Lady Windermere's Fan" is being played at the Theatre des Arts in Paris.

Ethel Barrymore will be seen in a new play, yet unnamed, by Arthur Wing Pinero, when she is done with "Lady Frederick."

Eugene Walker has written a play, "The Other Woman," in which his wife, Charlotte Walker, will star under the management of David Belasco.

Mrs. Leslie Carter will play for a month as a member of a stock company in an open-air theater at St. Louis. She will receive a salary of \$1,000 a week.

Richard Golden is acting in a sketch entitled "A Case for Divorce," at the Palace, a variety theater in London. He appears to be well liked by the English critics.

Souvenirs in the shape of handsome silk embroidered parasols will be distributed to the women in the audience at Wallace's, New York, tonight (Saturday) May 22, to commemorate the opening performance of "Sham" and Henrietta Crossman's final presentation of the highly successful comedy in New York.

Oscar Hammerstein, it is said, will engage a youthful American soprano to sing the title role of "Elektra" if Richard Strauss, the composer, will come to this country to conduct it next fall. The young woman is Lucille Marcell, who sang the role in the Vienna Court opera, and is said to be Strauss's ideal "Elektra."

The executive committee of the United Singers of New York, under whose auspices the twenty-second National Song and Music Festival of the Northeastern Federation of Singing societies will be given in the Madison Square Garden, New York, on June 19, 20, 21 and 22, have completed plans for the unusual event which will bring together a total of over 18,000 singers to be heard at different times during the week of the festival. The festival has been divided into seven monster concerts.

The Lambert itinerary is: Metropolitan opera house, New York, May 24, night; Hartford, Parsons, May 25, matinee; Boston theater, Boston, May 25, night; Academy of Music, Brooklyn, N. Y., May 26, matinee; Philadelphia, May 26, night; Washington, D. C., May 27, matinee; Baltimore, May 27, night; Cleveland, May 28, matinee; Pittsburgh, May 28, night; Chicago, May 29, matinee and night.

NO PUBLIC UTILITIES BILL

Will be Passed at this Session of Legislature—Prominent Member's Prediction—Gossip on Other Matters of Importance.

Hartford, May 21.—"There will be no public utilities commission bill passed at this session of the general assembly," remarked a member of some prominence to the writer one day this week. "This is the opinion of Senator Sears as well as my own. There isn't time for the committee to bring in anything which can pass both houses. There isn't time for members to appear before the select committee and tell what they want in a bill, and most of them don't know, anyway. They have confidence in the present bill and no time to go over it after the select committee get through with it to see whether it has been bettered or made worse and less satisfactory."

"The special committee is to make its report June 8. If it desires and really needs the time, the two houses would doubtless be glad to extend this a week, or possibly two. If it makes the report June 8 it will have had but two weeks in which to go over the matter, counting out the one hearing which it will get in next week, for two of next week's sessions are to be occupied by other matters than the routine of the general assembly's work, one by the exercises at the laying of the cornerstone of the new supreme court and state library building and the other with the joint convention in memory of Governor Lillie."

"As soon as the committee starts, and even before it starts, it will feel

signer law passed two years ago, which was debated yesterday in the house, is going to create a lot of excitement. It did yesterday, because Mr. Loos of New Haven was a little too quick to hear men say what he expected them to say about him when they hadn't said it at all, and it will in other ways later. Its chances of passing the house are not good."

Further, it ought not to pass the house—or the senate, either, though it were with the endorsement of the house. The five-signer law is a good law. Fourteen of the twenty-four county commissioners—and this fourteen includes those who in my opinion are the pick of the lot—were against any change in it. But it was a surprise to Brewer Kendall of New Haven two years ago, and he has never got over it. It keeps him awake nights. Now he has twisted the bill offered by Judge Peck of Stratford to amend this law in a vital place—so as to make it necessary for a man to have his license application signed by people living or doing business near his saloon, people directly and personally interested—in this substitute, which is intended solely to make it possible for a saloonkeeper to get his license in a mysterious and secret way, the details of which are concealed from the public. Wouldn't wipe out advertising the license applications

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the lack of time, and will not go into the matter with the notion of thoroughly reconstructing the bill prepared by the special committee, but will have to be content with patching it up unless some members hand in substitute bills which can be fixed up in place of it. It is doubtful if this will be done. There will be amendments to the present bill handed out to the committee, of course. Indeed, this has already been done. But it is not likely that any member outside of the select committee has a whole new bill ready, and perhaps Chandler himself hasn't."

"The subject is so big, anyway, as to require long thrashing out and even then it is doubtful if it can be presented to the house and senate in such shape that they will be willing to agree on it. If this select committee has been appointed about the first of April there might have been some chance of getting something this session. About the best that can be obtained now is a good start, if we get even that."

This is a man who voted against rejection of the commission's bill two or three weeks ago, not so much because he favors that bill—for he doesn't—as that he didn't wish to see the whole matter killed off summarily without a chance. I was a bit surprised to note his views on the subject, but they are very pat and accurate and are reproduced here on that account. It occurred to me to ask him if he thought there were any nine men in the house who would be able to agree on anything in the shape of a public utilities bill, and he doubted if there were. And so do I.

On the other hand, there may be—and a good many times more—than is quite within the possibilities that the select committee may be able to bring in a satisfactory measure without great trouble. Of course, there is a fine framework in what has been done by the 1907 commission. Certainly it will bring in something in the shape of a bill. To begin with, it is instructed in the joint resolution creating it to report a bill. And certainly the gentlemen who compose it are not going to stultify themselves or jeopardize their standing with the state at large by refusing to do this under any pretext. Anybody who expects to see the thing die in this committee has another guess. There are gentlemen on it with political futures, for one thing. I don't mean Chandler; of course he would be for bringing in a bill, anyway.

That is enough about public utilities for this time. There are other subjects of moment before the general assembly and if there were no such thing as a public utilities bill, the session of the 1909 general assembly would be extended far into the summer. Take the case, moreover, for instance. The measure which would draw the teeth of the so-called five-

and posting notices of them! Of course it would, and that is what it is intended to do.

Talk about graft in the necessity for getting live signers who have signed no other application. Pish, tush! It's just as easy for the brewers and wholesale liquor men and the saloonkeepers to break and disregard this law, and they do it constantly. From the talk that goes on on the part of their people in the house, one would think the other members a lot of children. When the vote on this bill is taken they won't be found to be.

That's only one of the matters which will cause a fight until it is killed off. There are lots of other things which will take up time. The excise committee has some of them yet to report. Other committees have others.

One thing which didn't take much time in the house was the constitutional amendment which prohibits the issuance of more than one class of stock by any corporation, and which, in other words, wipes out preferred stock. The house didn't know what it was doing when it voted for this bill. Speaker Banks gave the corporation men in the house every chance in the world to get up and protest against this. They were asleep at the switch. Certainly there is no intention on the part of this legislature to pass any such law and none of us newspaper men would have believed for a moment that it would be possible to get a favorable vote on the proposition from the house.

There be strange things abroad among us. Over and over Whiton of New London has tried to get an amendment embodying the provisions of this bill tacked upon charter after charter and without the least suspicion of success. And yet the house passes all covering everything he wants in this regard. Not to mention what it's a good law; that isn't the point.

Of course the senate will cut it down in its youth and there will be an occasion for a committee of conference to confer, but without the hope of reaching an agreement, and later the conference will announce to their respective houses that it is impossible to agree and somebody will move in each house that the body insist on its former action; it will, and all will be over with Mr. Whiton's bill.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.

A Reminiscence of the Civil War.

Mr. Editor: In reading the account of the ceremonies of unveiling the monuments at Fort Stedman and Fort Mahone, near Petersburg, Va., in the New York papers of Thursday, May 20, and noting the patriotic and grateful words of President Taft at Fort Mahone, I wondered if there were any old First Connecticut artillerymen beside myself here, who remembered our share in these stirring events on March 25, 1865, and afterward. For his sake, if he reads this, and possibly to interest some of your readers who have not forgotten our honorable record, I venture to relate briefly some of the history. Fort Stedman was of the history. Fort Stedman was of Connecticut and was situated in a very exposed position on the Petersburg front of our army, garrisoned by Company K, First Connecticut artillery, under Lieutenant Odell. When the early morning attack was made, March 25, 1865, under General Gordon of the Confederate army, they swept in surprise over our parapet, captured Fort Stedman, killed Lieutenant Odell and put some sixty men of our regiment out of action.

A return charge drove the enemy back into their own lines, our artillery being so heavy that they could not hold what they had gained. The grand assault of our forces on the Confederate line at what was called Fort Mahone occurred April 2, 1865, and to describe the part of the First Connecticut artillery in it, I quote the official report of Gen. H. L. Abbott, then commanding the regiment: "My artillery was hotly engaged in the battles resulting in the capture of Petersburg. In addition to the usual duties of artillery, a detachment of 100 men and three officers, commanded by First Lieut. William H. Rogers, accompanied the assaulting infantry column, entered the rebel works near Fort Mahone with the very advance, and served six pieces of artillery, captured by them, with the greatest gallantry for twenty-four hours till the rebels evacuated the city (Petersburg). This party was armed with their muskets, and carried lanyards, friction primers, fuses, and other small articles, the want of which always delays the opening of fire with captured guns for a few invaluable moments. This closing battle of the campaign for us was thus marked by a new and brilliant service."

Lieutenant Rogers was breveted captain for his conspicuous gallantry on this occasion. He died a few years ago at his residence on Laurel Hill avenue, in this city.

W. P. LEARNED.

Norwich, May 21, 1909.

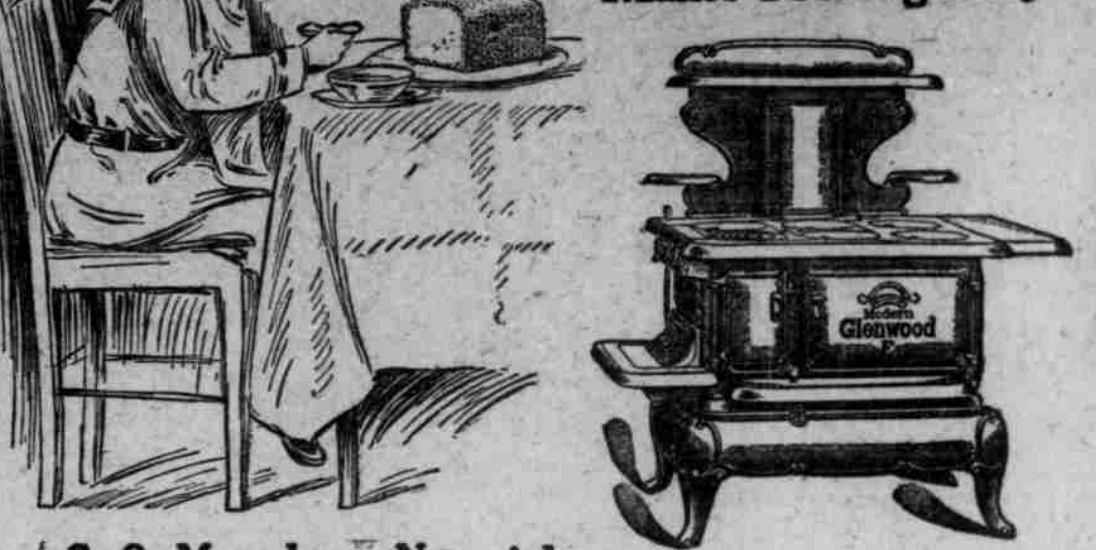
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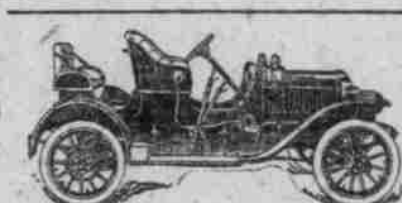
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The sub-committee on Invitations desires to obtain all the names and addresses of former residents and all others who by ties of birth, kindred, relationship and associations are connected with the Town of Norwich in order that an invitation may be sent them to attend the Celebration of the Two Hundred and Fiftieth Anniversary of the Founding of the Town and the One Hundred and Twenty-fifth Anniversary of the Incorporation of the City which will be held July 5th and 6th, 1909.

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